

## Court Is Asked To Reinstatement Members of Police Force

Saint John Case Goes To The Appeal Division For Settlement.

The Appeal Division of the Supreme Court of New Brunswick has been brought into Saint John civic affairs by the application for an order requiring Commissioner Walsh to show cause why an order absolute for a writ of mandamus should not be issued reinstating Matron Adams and Detective McBrien as members of the Saint John Police Force.

The application was made to the Court which convened in Saint John last Saturday and the rule was made returnable on Monday, March 30 at 10.30 in the morning. Service was ordered to be made on the commissioner of public safety, the City of Saint John and the acting chief of police.

The court was composed of Chief Justice Baxter, Mr. Justice Grimmer and Mr. Justice Harrison. H. Lester Smith, of Fredericton, registrar of the Supreme Court, also was present.

C. F. Inches, K.C., and A. B. Gilbert appeared in support of the motion. Mr. Gilbert read an affidavit sworn to by Mrs. Annie Adams, in which she stated she was appointed police matron in May, 1924, and has held that position continuously till the present time. The affidavit stated that on March 19, 1936, Chief Inspector McLeese, acting chief of police, read to her a letter which he had received from the commissioner of public safety, instructing the acting chief to inform Mrs. Adams and Mr. McBrien that they had been dismissed from the force, their dismissal to take effect at once.

It was argued by counsel that the commissioner had no authority to dismiss the subordinate officers under the commission form of government. The decision of the court should clear up some of the questions concerning the authority of city commissioners and the meaning of some of the clauses of the commission act.

### MARITIME DEATHS

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- CALDWELL—Mrs. J. Willis Caldwell, at Dartmouth, N.S.
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- HARRIS—Elias B. Harris, at Hortonville, N.S.
- HAYES—Horace E. Hayes, at Fredericton, N.B.
- KNOWLTON—James A. Knowlton, at Advocate Harbor, N.S.
- BABINGTON—B. C. Babington at Saint John, N.B.
- LINDSAY—Mrs. Isabelle Lindsay, East Stewiacke, N.S.
- SOMERS—Mrs. Elizabeth Somers, at Halifax, N.S.
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## New Form of Government

THE PROPOSED changes in the civic form of government for Saint John City, as brought forward by the Civic Improvement League, have been endorsed by the Board of Trade, Retail Merchants' Association, various clubs and organizations, as well as citizens generally. The people have come to realize that under the present set-up there have been abuses, both in omission and commission, in the government and these have been detrimental to the well-being of the city.

In bringing forward the proposals for change, the one thought dominating the minds of the promoters of the movement has been to eliminate the bad, retain the good and to add those things necessary for the mutual good of the city and the citizens as a whole. The aim has been to make it possible for the taxpayers to choose from the highest type of citizens, men to conduct the business of the city in all its departments economically and efficiently.

Under the present commission act, a man to serve as commissioner must either be out of work, looking for a job, or else he must give up his own business to accept office. Few men can afford to give up an occupation or business in order to serve the city, no matter how interested he may be. Under the new system which is being advocated, a citizen is not asked to give up his business but is invited to devote a part of his time to assist in carrying on the affairs of the city, as directors of large businesses now do, at a nominal salary or director's fee. Under such a system it will be possible to have the best business brains to direct civic affairs. Instead of the man seeking the job the job will be seeking the man.

## Mayors Present Resolutions To The Government

Ask That Unemployment Relief Be Assumed by the Dominion.

The mayors of the Dominion in conference in Ottawa drew up several resolutions, which have been presented to the Federal Government. The mayors are asking the Federal Government to take over and assume the administration of and the entire cost of unemployment relief throughout the Dominion. The Government also will be asked to start a program of giving employment by developing lowgrade gold ore deposits in the Dominion and a suggestion for a national lottery was also put forward. Federal assistance for the blind also was approved.

A continuing committee of 12 members was appointed. This committee will arrange for holding future conferences of mayors. Those on the committee are: E. J. Vragg, Halifax; P. W. Turner, Charlottetown; P. W. Caldwell, Campbellton; Camillien Houde, Montreal; W. H. Biggar, Montreal; Stanley Lewis, Ottawa; J. A. Smith, Kitchener, Ont.; John Queen, Winnipeg; H. S. Johnstone, Moose Jaw; A. Davidson, Calgary; David Leeming, Victoria; G. G. McGeer, Vancouver.

### EARLY MAYFLOWERS

The first Mayflower of the season to reach the office of "The Broadcaster" was sent in by Ethel J. Fairweather, of Cumberland Bay, Queens County. The flower is in full bloom and was picked in an open pasture.

**"Oh, Doctor!"**  
COMING SOON

### MASONIC CALENDAR

- ALBION, No. 1—First Friday. Next meeting April 3. N. J. Cabeldu, W.M.
- NEW BRUNSWICK, No. 22—Second Thursday. Next meeting, April 9. A. C. W. Parlee, W.M.
- HIBERNIA, No. 3—Second Tuesday. Next meeting, April 14. G. K. Kelly, W.M.
- ST. JOHN'S, No. 2—First Tuesday. Meets April 7. C. H. Dearborn, W.M.
- CARLETON UNION, No. 8—First Thursday. Next meeting, April 2. Dr. R. M. Pendrigh, W.M.
- UNION LODGE OF PORTLAND, No. 10—Third Tuesday. Next meeting on April 21. Paul Walsh, W.M.
- CARLETON ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER—Third Thursday. The next meeting, April 16. G. M. Leggett, 1st P.Z.
- SAINTE JOHN COUNCIL R. AND S. M.—Third Monday. Next meeting on April 20. P. B. Brennan, T.I.M.
- ST. JOHN DE MOLAY PRECEPTORY—Fourth Tuesday. Next meeting on April 28. C. T. Cromwell, P.P.

### KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS

- Meetings on Mondays and Wednesdays
- NEW BRUNSWICK, No. 1—Pythian Castle. Next meeting, April 8.
- UNION, No. 2—Pythian Castle. Next meeting, April 1.
- ST. JOHN, No. 30—Temple Building, North End. Next meeting, April 6.
- CARLETON TOWER, No. 37—Prentice Boys' Hall. Next meeting, March 30.
- ADILA, No. 157, D. O. K. K.—Meets second Thursday, in Pythian Castle

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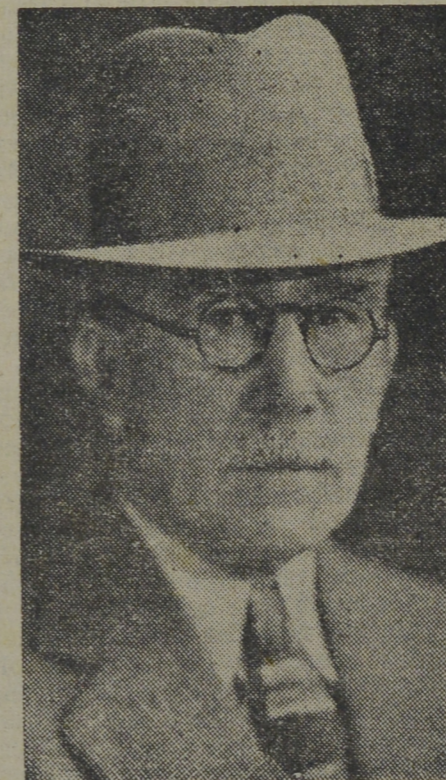
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